COSHH Task Assessment

Hollins & Reed Contracting Ltd

Project or site	Trade	Date assessed	Assessment ref
House refurbishment, House 7	Drylining	5 October 2026	CA-011

What the work makes			
Task	Cutting, sanding joints	**Material worked**	Plasterboard, jointing compound
Dust or fume made	Gypsum dust, inhalable	**Tool used**	Handsaw, rasp, pole sander
Where	Indoors, one room at a time	**How long a shift**	About 3 hours

Exposure limit			
WEL, 8-hour	Gypsum 10 mg/m³, respirable 4	**WEL, 15-minute**	None listed
Monitoring result	Not measured	**Measured on**	Not measured

Who could be harmed	People doing it	Others nearby	Cleaners, fitters	Visitors, public	Higher risk
Dryliner, others, cleaner	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐

Health effects
Breathing a lot of dust can damage the lungs and airways. Gypsum has very little silica, but board dust can carry some.
Jointing compound and plasters may hold quartz: read their sheet.

Controls	In place	Still needed
Another method	Tapered-edge boards. Handsaw and rasp, not a power saw.	
On-tool extraction	Pole sander on an M class unit.	
Water suppression	Not used on board.	
Room ventilation	Window open, door shut to other rooms.	
Fewer, for less time	Only the dryliner in the room while sanding.	
Clean-up	Class M vacuum. No dry sweeping.	

RPE: type and filter	Disposable	Half mask	Powered	Face-fit tested	Eye protection
APF 20 for sanding: disposable FFP3.	☑	☐	☐	☑	☐

Also needed	Yes	No	Detail	Next due
Exposure monitoring	☐	☑	Extraction checked daily. Dust escaping: stop.	
Health surveillance	☐	☑	Only if a cough or wheeze is reported.	
LEV examination	☑	☐	Examined at least every 14 months.	March 2027
Training	☑	☐	Extraction, clean shaven, clean-up.	Before start

Further action	Who	By when	Checked
Sander and M class unit on site	DH	Before start	

Assessed by	Signed	Date	Next review
Dan Hollins		5 October 2026	5 October 2027

Worked example. Change it to fit your job before you use it.